

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently Amended) A multiple unit residential building, comprising;
a concrete foundation;
a number of residential units constructed on the concrete foundation, the
number of units bordering at least a portion of an atrium having at
least a public portion formed on the concrete foundation, each unit
including a semi-public area adjacent to ~~a primary~~ an entrance into
the unit and adjacent to the atrium; ~~.[[and]]~~
a common area for ingress and egress from outside the building connected to
the atrium; and
a number of levels including a basement located below the atrium.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 35,
wherein the building has a number of levels and wherein the concrete foundation is
on a first level and the atrium extends upward through a number of levels.

38. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 35,
wherein the common area has an elevator therein.

39. (Currently Amended) A multiple unit residential building, comprising;
a common entryway leading to an atrium, the atrium bordered by a number
of private units in which the residents reside for ~~primary~~ ingress and
egress of residents to and from their units, the atrium having a public
area formed therein; [[and]]
the number of units each having a semi-public area formed from at least a
portion of the atrium and wherein each said semi-public area is
adjacent to the public area, the number of units each having a front
entrance to the unit facing to the atrium[.];
wherein the building includes a number of levels stacked one above another,
each level includes a number of units bordering at least a portion of
an atrium, the number of units bordering the atrium having an
entrance to the unit facing the atrium, and wherein a number of levels
have a floor that acts as an upper boundary for one atrium and a
lower boundary for another atrium.

40. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 39,
wherein each unit has a foyer adjacent to the front entrance.

41. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 39,
wherein the entryway is connected to a number of different atriums each having a
number of units bordering the atrium.

42. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 41,
wherein a number of units are arranged back to back such that the back of one unit
faces one atrium and the back of the other unit faces the other atrium.

43. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 39,
wherein each unit includes a semi-public unit area proximate to the unit and wherein

the atrium includes a public area positioned between each unit and each semi-public area.

44. (Canceled)

45. (Currently Amended) The multiple unit residential building of claim 35 ~~[[36]]~~, wherein the basement includes a number of parking spaces for parking automobiles.

46. (Previously Presented) The multiple unit residential building of claim 39, wherein each of the semi-public areas is arranged such that access from the public area to each of the units as accomplished by passing through one of the semi-public areas and through the front entrance of the unit.

47. (Canceled)

48. (Currently Amended) The building of claim 39, wherein the building includes a public area within each atrium, ~~a number of each said semi-public area areas wherein each semi-public area is adjacent to a portion of the public area and~~ associated with and proximate to a particular unit and front ~~a primary entry~~ door into the particular unit, ~~that is positioned for entry of an individual into the unit from one of the atriums.~~

49. (Currently Amended) The building of claim 48, wherein each said front ~~primary entry~~ door is positioned for entry of an individual into the unit via the unit's associated and proximate semi-public area.

50. (Currently Amended) The building of claim 39 ~~[[48]]~~, wherein each semi-public ~~unit~~ area is adjacent to a particular unit.

51. (Currently Amended) The building of claim 35 ~~[[45]]~~, wherein the building includes a first level having a floor forming a lower boundary of a first atrium thereon and a first number of units bordering the atrium;

a second level having a second number of units bordering the atrium; and

a third level having a floor and a third number of units bordering a second atrium, wherein the floor of the third level acts as an upper boundary for the first atrium and a lower boundary for the second atrium.

52. (Previously Presented) The building of claim 51, wherein the second level includes a public area within the first atrium for ingress and egress of residents to the second number of units, a number of semi-public areas wherein each semi-public area is adjacent to a portion of the public area and associated with and proximate to a particular unit of the second number of units and a primary entry door into the particular unit that is positioned for entry of an individual into the unit from one of the atriums.

53. (New) A multiple unit residential building, comprising;

a concrete foundation;

a number of residential units constructed on the concrete foundation, the number of units bordering at least a portion of an atrium having at least a public portion formed on the concrete foundation, each unit including a semi-public area adjacent to an entrance into the unit and adjacent to the atrium;

a common area for ingress and egress from outside the building connected to the atrium; and

a number of levels and wherein the concrete foundation is on a first level and the atrium extends upward through a number of levels.

54. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 53, wherein the building has a number of levels including a basement located below the atrium.

55. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 35, wherein each unit has a foyer adjacent to the front entrance.

56. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 35, wherein each unit includes a semi-public unit area proximate to the unit and wherein the atrium includes a public area positioned between each unit and each semi-public area.

57. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 35, wherein each of the semi-public areas is arranged such that access from the public area to each of the units as accomplished by passing through one of the semi-public areas and through the front entrance of the unit.

58. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 53, wherein the building includes a first level having a floor forming a lower boundary of a first atrium thereon and a first number of units bordering the atrium;
a second level having a second number of units bordering the atrium; and
a third level having a floor and a third number of units bordering a second atrium, wherein the floor of the third level acts as an upper boundary for the first atrium and a lower boundary for the second atrium.

59. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 58, wherein the second level includes a public area within the first atrium for ingress and egress of residents to the second number of units, a number of semi-public areas wherein each semi-public area is adjacent to a portion of the public area and associated with and proximate to a particular unit of the second number of units and a primary entry door into the particular unit that is positioned for entry of an individual into the unit from one of the atriums.

60. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 39, wherein the building has a number of levels including a basement located below the atrium.

61. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 60, wherein the basement includes a number of parking spaces for parking automobiles.

62. (New) The multiple unit residential building of claim 54, wherein the basement includes a number of parking spaces for parking automobiles.